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1. RSO HAS RECOMMENDED MORE POSITIVE CONTROL OVER ACCESS AND PACKAGE CHECK OF ITEMS CARRIED INTO USIS AMERICAN CENTERS IN JAPAN. USIS TOKYO FEELS THAT AT SOME CENTERS THESE CONTROLS CANNOT BE INSTITUTED WITH EXISTING STAFF. ALSO FEEL THAT TRANSITION TO NEW PROGRAM SHOULD BE GRADUAL WITH CHANGES MADE FIRST AT FUKUOKA AND KYOTO TO ENABLE EVALUATION OF EFFECT CONTROLS HAVE ON PROGRAM ATTENDANCE.

2. THUS IT IS REQUESTED THAT LOCAL GUARD SERVICE BE FUNDED FOR THE AMERICAN CENTERS AT FUKUOKA AND KYOTO. GUARD SERVICE WOULD PROVIDE ACCESS AND PACKAGE CONTROL AND WOULD BE AT CENTER ENTRANCE DURING NORMAL OPERATING HOURS. COST OF GUARD SERVICE WILL BE YEN 250,000 PER MONTH FOR EACH CENTER OR TOTAL OF DOLLARS 1,725 PER MONTH FOR BOTH CENTERS AT CURRENT YEN RATE.

3. ADDITIONALLY, RSO AND USIS TOKYO HAVE EXAMINED PHYSICAL SECURITY CONTROLS AT TOKYO AMERICAN CENTER. IT IS
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COMBINED OPINION THAT ENTRANCE OF TOKYO CENTER SHOULD BE

REDESIGNED TO PROVIDE BETTER CONTROL OVER ACCESS TO OFFICE AREA AND INFOMAT. CHANGE WILL ALSO FACILITATE PACKAGE INSPECTION. CHANGE WILL INCLUDE MOVE OF RECEPTIONIST BOOTH, RELOCATION OF SWITCHBOARD, AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW WALLS. COST OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ENTRANCE IS \$6000.

4. SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS WERE GENERALLY DISCUSSED WITH USIA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR SECURITY DURING HIS VISIT TO TOKYO. HE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE AND INDICATED THAT FUNDS MIGHT BE AVAILABLE. IF FUNDS ARE MADE AVAILABLE AND PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED DO NOT HAVE ADVERSE EFFECT ON PROGRAMS AT CENTERS, FUNDS FOR GUARD SERVICE AT SOME OTHER CENTERS WILL BE REQUESTED.
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